GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
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Special Funds for Old Age/Destitute Women
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allocated any special funds for providing financial benefits to old age/destitute women in the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and disbursed thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(c) whether the Government has taken any efforts to compile an Aadhaar enabled data base on the beneficiaries under various schemes of the Ministry and if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the total number of beneficiaries covered in this regard for getting financial/logistic benefits under such schemes, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ)
(a) & (b) The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing the Swadhar Greh Scheme which targets the women victims of unfortunate circumstances who are in need of institutional support for rehabilitation so that they could lead their life with dignity. The Scheme envisages providing shelter, food, clothing and health as well as economic and social security for the women victims of difficult circumstance including old age/destitute women. The details of the total funds allocated during the last three years and current year, States/UT-wise under Swadhar/Swadhar Greh Scheme is at Annexure.

(c) In accordance with the Section 7 of Aadhaar Act, 2016, the Ministry of Women and Child Development has published notification in respect of Swadhar Greh Scheme for enabling use of Aadhaar of the beneficiaries of the Scheme for delivery of service. States/UTs have been requested to take necessary action for publicity of the contents of the notifications in local vernacular language for information of the target beneficiaries and also sensitize the implementing agencies of Swadhar Greh Scheme about the importance and timeline prescribed in the notification.

(d) The State/UTs have been requested to take necessary action for digitization of beneficiary data, Aadhaar seeding of digitized beneficiary database, Aadhaar seeding of bank accounts, Automation of processes and creation of real time MIS for DBT onboarding of the Scheme.
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